

## Bureau of Indian Affairs, Interior

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and BIA. If the center does not adequately address these concerns in writing within 30 calendar days, the tribal government may request any or all of the following:

(a) A special meeting with the Center's Director and staff to address the concern;

(b) A review of the Center's performance by FHWA and BIA or;

(c) Services from other Indian LTAP centers.

### **§ 170.170 How are Indian LTAP centers managed?**

(a) Each Indian LTAP center is managed by its Center Director and staff, with the advice of its technical panel under the Indian LTAP agreements. FHWA, BIA, and tribes review the performance of the Indian LTAP centers.

(b) Each Indian LTAP center has a technical panel consisting of one BIA Regional Road Engineer, one FHWA representative, one state DOT representative, and at least five tribal representatives from the service area. The technical panel may, among other activities:

- (1) Recommend center policies;
- (2) Review and approve the annual action plan for submission to FHWA for approval;
- (3) Provide direction on the areas of technical assistance and training;
- (4) Review and approve the annual report for submission to FHWA for approval;
- (5) Develop recommendations for improving center operation services and budgets; and
- (6) Assist in developing goals and plans for obtaining or using supplemental funding.

(c) The technical panel must meet at least twice a year. Tribal representatives may request IRR Program funding to cover the cost of participating in these committee meetings.

### **§ 170.171 How are tribal advisory technical panel members selected?**

(a) The Indian LTAP center requests nominations from tribal governments and consortia within the service area for tribal transportation representatives to serve on the technical panel.

(b) Tribes from the service area select tribal panel members from those nominated.

## INDIAN LTAP-SPONSORED EDUCATION AND TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

### **§ 170.175 What Indian LTAP-sponsored transportation training and educational opportunities exist?**

There are many programs and sources of funding that provide tribal transportation training and education opportunities. Each program has its own terms and conditions of assistance. For further information on these programs and their use for tribal transportation education and training opportunities, contact the regional Indian LTAP center or BIA regional road engineer. Appendix B to this subpart contains a list of programs and funding sources.

### **§ 170.176 Where can tribes get scholarships and tuition for Indian LTAP-sponsored education and training?**

Tribes can get tuition and scholarship assistance for Indian LTAP-sponsored education and training from the following sources:

- (a) Indian LTAP centers;
- (b) BIA-appropriated funds (for approved training); and
- (c) IRR Program funds (for education and training opportunities and technical assistance programs related to developing skills for performing IRR Program activities).

## APPENDIX A TO SUBPART B—ALLOWABLE USES OF IRR PROGRAM FUNDS

A. IRR Program funds can be used for the following planning and design activities:

1. Planning and design of IRR transit facilities eligible for IRR construction funding.
2. Planning and design of IRR roads and bridges.
3. Planning and design of transit facilities that provide access to or are located within an Indian reservation or community.
4. Transportation planning activities, including planning for tourism and recreational travel.
5. Development, establishment, and implementation of tribal transportation management systems such as safety, bridge, pavement, and congestion management.
6. Tribal transportation plans and transportation improvement programs (TIPS).